GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1410
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Security of Civil Airports
Maragatham Smt. K.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) guards 59 out of 98 civil airports in the country while 10 more will be added very soon and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the CISF will be taking over the security of all airports in due course of time and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the CISF is working out a plan to make security processes at airports simple and hassle free and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the CISF has written to airport operators and Government agencies to get bullet proof and armoured vehicles for its quick reaction teams,
stationed at these facilities for counter terror tasks; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)
(a) & (b): Yes Madam, Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) is deployed on 59 out of 98 civil airports in the country. The security system is reviewed from time to time and upgraded as per requirement by the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) in consultation with the other concerned agencies and stakeholders, including CISF and Airport Operators, depending upon threat perceptions, and corrective measures are taken.
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(c): CISF has taken several measures like tag-free hand baggage for passengers, training its personnel in soft skills, setting up Help Desk Counters and CCTV system.
(d) & (e): CISF has requested Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) for directing Airport Operators to provide bullet proof and armored vehicles at airports.

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